Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 23, line 27 with the following amended paragraph:

The routing processor 203 is arranged to select which entries of the memory 204 that the input ports 201 and the routing processor 203 shall write data into, and which entries of the memory 204 that the output ports 202 and the routing processor 203 shall read data from, thereby forming an interconnect network of circuit-switched channels through the memory 204. In Fig. [[5]]7, such mapping are indicated by arrows. The routing processor 203 also performs routing of data packets received, following said mapping, from one or more of the input ports via the memory 204. In addition, routing information gained by the routing processor is used to modify said mapping, thereby modifying which channels that goes where within the apparatus 200, the size of said channels, or the like. Furthermore, the routing processor 203 is arranged to assign a level of priority to each such channel that is set up through the memory 204. And when there is a request for a change in the allocation of such channels, this priority assignment will be taken into consideration in accordance with the invention.

Please replace the paragraph at page 24, line 11 with the following amended paragraph:

The embodiment described with reference to Fig. [[5]]7 hence exemplifies the invention in use in a situation wherein all priority information as well as all decisions and priority assignments based thereupon (within the interconnect network) is essentially controlled by one single unit, i.e. the routing processor.

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